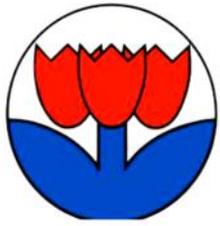


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This page is relevant both for those applying for membership and for existing members.

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The membership director stores a list of members on a local computer.

The editor of the IWC is also responsible for the Membership Directory leaflet. In the production of this, your data and pictures may be shared internally, and with the printer. Unless we have been otherwise informed in writing, your data will appear in this leaflet and where it may be available online, accessible to members only.

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IWC South Limburg



President's Voice

Monique Caelen

Dear Ladies,

Spring is almost over and we are heading into Summer—a Summer where many of us, I'm sure, look so much forward to. A Summer with more opportunities than ever, maybe going on holiday, or visiting our dear families, or going to the beach, museum, zoo or spending an evening in a pub or terrace.

Until now our Club year had to abide with many restrictions, but at the end, I can say we made the best out of it. A big thank you to all the ladies who made this happen. The ladies who organized the activities, with so much creativity and also the members who joined in.

July and August are, for our club, holiday months without a Newsletter and centrally organized activities. We are going to recharge our batteries. And we will be back in September, fully charged and full of energy. If everything stays stable we hope to see you back in September at our Welcome Back After Summer Party. 🎉

For now, take care, stay safe and enjoy your holidays.

On behalf of the Board,

Monique Caelen



Message from the Activities Coordinator

Nikki Beulens

Dear Ladies,

This is my last message as activities coordinator. I would like to thank all of you for supporting me and the activities I have organised, whether online or in person. We managed to have quite a lot of fun before COVID-19 spoiled the party – didn't we?

Things are finally looking up and hopefully with the current, swift rate of vaccination, by the time September arrives, we will be ready to meet up in person and celebrate together again.

More details about the Summer Welcome Back Party will be emailed to you closer to the time. We are keeping a close eye on the regulations and hopefully we will be able to meet up in person in September.

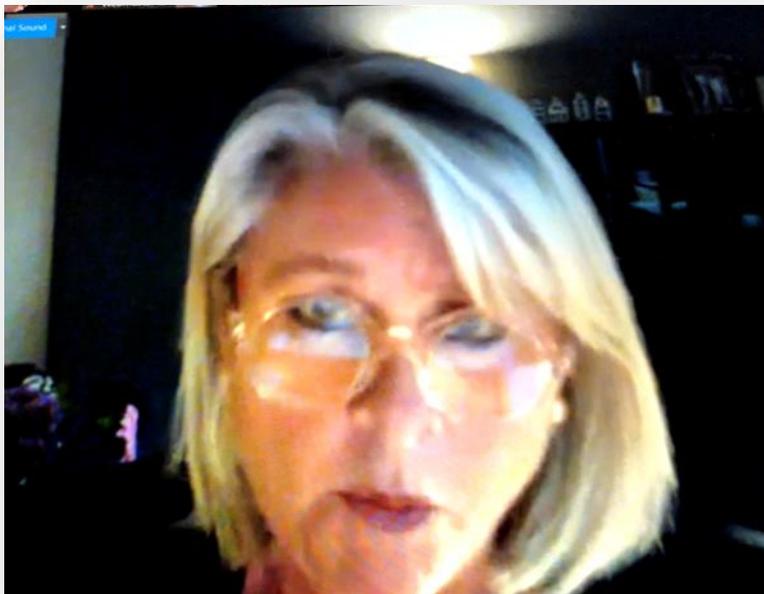
Thanks to the wonderful board of the IWC who have (largely) supported all my crazy ideas for activities. They have done a wonderful job of keeping the club going despite all the difficulties of the past year and the club's future looks to be in good, solid hands.

It's been fun ladies and I look forward to seeing all of you in September at our Summer Welcome Back Party.



Thanks
Dhanyawaad
(धन्यवाद)

Photos of May Annual General Meeting



Photos of May Annual General Meeting



Photos of May Annual General Meeting



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROBLEMS WITH ZOOM

As you are probably aware, we have moved most of our club activities online via zoom. If you have any problems accessing or using zoom, please contact our webmaster at webmaster@iwc-sl.nl and we can talk you through it. With the current situation we must embrace new technologies like zoom as they can be a lifeline when we are unable to meet up in person.

FOR ALL IWC ART LOVERS

I am working on a new painting workshop! Are you interested?
The video session is coming soon.

Follow the hot news on IWC Facebook Group.

Regards

Ineke van Geel

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOOKING FOR A NEW ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR

As many of you will be aware, Nikki took over the Activities Coordinator role when Hana stepped down. Nikki has now completed her two-year term and will be stepping down at the end of her term. She has put in sterling effort to keep the club members engaged in these unprecedented times and has certainly raised the bar for her successor.

The Board invites responses from members who would like to accept this challenge until the end of the club year in mid 2022. Nikki would be happy to answer any queries you might have in this regard.

The IWC cannot run to the satisfaction of the members if there is no one to organise activities for the club. Socialising via club activities is what keeps the club alive and without your support the club cannot survive.

Interested volunteers, please email Monique Caelen at: mmacaelen@gmail.com.

Looking for a Group Coordinator for Groups G&H

As already mentioned, Anneke has stepped back from coordinating the activities for Groups G and H.

The Board is looking for a volunteer or two volunteers to step in and fill this position.

Interested volunteers, please email Monique Caelen at: mmacaelen@gmail.com.

Looking for a Coordinator for the Walking Group

Due to personal reasons Yukiko is stepping back from coordinating the walking group and the Japanese language group.

As a result the Japanese language group will not exist unless there is enough interest to keep it active.

The club is looking for a volunteer(s) to take over the walking group. Please contact Monique if you are interested in doing so.

Members Leaving

Yvonne Jansen

Josta Roebroek-de Wever

IWC Summer QUIZ



Join us for an evening of quizzing fun. Our theme for this quiz evening is **SUMMER!** This time we have a very special prize for the winner. More details will be revealed on the night.

You don't want to miss it.

DATE: Friday 18th June

TIME: 19:30 PM

ZOOM LINK:

<https://zoom.us/j/94592906288?pwd=bWpSaDI6R1g3VE1lYjJUM1J6S3VHQ09>

Meeting ID: 945 9290 6288

Passcode: 334711

Summer

Welcome

Back

Party

We will be celebrating a new club year with our **Summer/Welcome Back Party** on **18th September 2021**. More details will sent out by email in July.

Group Activities

Groups A & B

Members living in Beek, Born, Doenrade, Einighausen, Elsloo, Geleen, Geulle, Munstergeleen, Oirsbeek, Puth, Sittard, Susteren, Urmond, Bunde, Meerssen, and Ulestraten. Members living in Bunde, Meerssen, and Ulestraten.

Ladies,

it's been way too long!! So if any of you would like to meet for a walk or a coffee please contact me. I would be happy to visit with you!

Big hugs to you all!!
Sabrina

**Coordinator:
Groups A & B**

Sabrina Vromen
sg.vromen@gmail.com

Group C

Members living in Berg en Terblijt, Brunssum, Heerlen, Hoensbroek, Houthem, Kerkrade, Klimmen. Landgraaf, Schin op Geul, Schinnen, Sibbe, Simpelveld, Valkenburg, and Voerendaal.

Hello Dear Ladies,

I hope you are all well! As things start to look better COVID and vaccine-wise I hope soon we will be able to get together as a group. I'd like to plan a coffee morning at my home soon. However, I will wait a little longer to be sure we're all safe.

John and I went to a restaurant on Friday evening it was very special being out, in amongst others, we sat on the terrace and enjoyed being outside. Eating and watching people go by the first time out socially since October last year. It feels like we in general are moving forward but in baby steps.

I'd like to add a well done to board this year, you've done an amazing job in difficult circumstances.

I wish you well for the following years and thanks for producing the Yearbook again.

Thank you to Mary, Nikki, Laila, Marie Jesus, Otila, Monique and Gaby.

The rain has been relentless and I'm waiting for it to stop long enough to put my bedding plants in the garden. If it doesn't then I might sew or read some poetry. I'll certainly miss having all this time for myself when the world returns to normal.

Have a great summer everyone and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Love

Ann

**Coordinator:
Group C**

Ann Boddé
ac.bodde@xs4all.nl

Group D

Members living in Aachen, Banholt, Bemelen, Cadier en Keer, Eckelrade, Eys, Gulpen, Ingber, Margraten, Mechelen, Mheer and St. Geertruid.

Hi Ladies,

How are you? Luckily the situation is getting better and we can start meeting in bigger groups. We will organize a walk in June for Group D + Photo Group. Of course, we need to take into account the restrictions at that time.

Place: Parking Cadier en Keer next to the Keerhoes.

Date: Friday, 4th June

Time: 10:00

The idea is to have a nice walk in Cadier en Keer and also practice our photo skills. No professional camera needed—a mobile phone is enough.

If you are interested send us an email. This activity is of course open to all IWC members.

Greetings,

Maria and Otilia

**Coordinators:
Group D**

María Fernández
mariajesusgulpen@gmail.com

Otilia Ramos
otiliaramos@gmail.com

Group E

Members living in Maastricht with postal codes 6213 to 6219.

Dear Ladies,

Any activities planned for June will be communicated via email, the IWC website and Facebook.

In the meantime, stay safe!

With kind regards,

Desiree

**Coordinator:
Group E**

Desiree Bright
desiree.bright@hotmail.com

Groups F

Maastricht with postal codes 6111 – 6212 (City Centre, St. Pietersberg).

Ladies,

It's been a crazy year! Now many of us have had at least one vaccine if not two so I hope we can resume some of our socializing! I will plan a few activities this summer as we plan to stay close to home. I'll keep Group F informed on any activities we plan this summer and please if you are not in our group drop me a line and I'll add you to the group.

Our youngest son is visiting us from the States in August (I am so excited as we haven't seen him since January last year)!

Looking forward to getting together this summer and, if not, at our first meeting in September!

Amelia (Molly) de Coster



**Coordinator
Group F**

Molly de Coster
adecoster@clayfeats.nl

Groups G&H

Members living in Maastricht with postal codes 6221 to 6229, Eijsden and Gronsveld.

Dear Group Members,

I have been your group leader for three years now and I wish to step back. Life has given me other opportunities and challenges and I would like to spend more time on my painting practice.

If you are the new group leader we are looking for, please let me or the board know!!!! It has been a great pleasure organizing activities and helping out members and I would still love to meet you during a walk, a game of pool billiards or any other activity organized by someone else in the club.

Anneke

**Coordinator
Groups G&H**

Anneke van Tilburg
iwcgroupgh@gmail.com

Group I

Members living in Belgium

Dear Ladies,

We had a wonderful walk, although not the one originally planned.

Due to the circumstances of the soldier in the woods of Maasmechelen we were not allowed to go there. The alternative, a walk through Oud Rekem was exciting and we ended with a fine lunch at the Brasserie Oude God.

For the month of June we have decided to do the walk we planned in May: start at the Brasserie Aspermans, Broekstraat 103 Opgrimbie/Maasmechelen, Thursday, June 17th at 11.00 hrs. We can meet at the parking of the Brasserie and also have our lunch there.

If you want to join please let us know by June 11, so we can make a reservation for lunch in time.

Looking forward seeing many of you.

Rita, Liliane



**Coordinators:
Group I**

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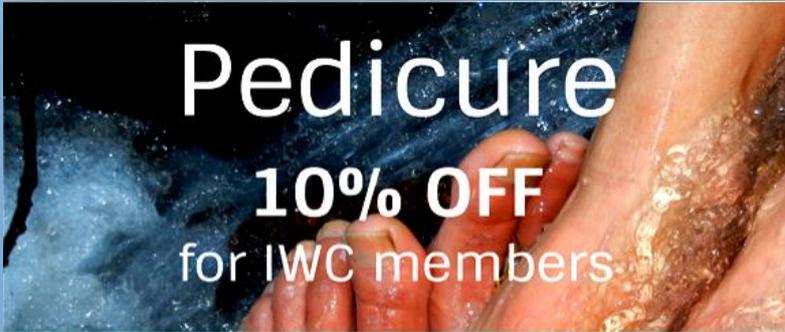
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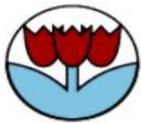
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All group leaders, activities leaders and board members are **100% volunteers**, do please consider this when you contact them. Please do so only via email unless a telephone is provided. It is difficult to check WhatsApp, Facebook Messenger and the Club Facebook page all in our spare time.

Thanks to all our volunteers, without them no Club could exist.

Interest Groups

Patchwork and Quilting

The IWC quilt group has been in the air more or less from the start of IWC!!



That proves that we get on very well together! Our members are of course international women and moving around the world quite a bit. So there are changes in the group all the time, members come and go. That explains why we have different levels of craftsmanship, from beginners up to more experienced quilters.

So don't feel shy to join, everybody helps each other, and with good results!

Phone me, mail me.

Annemieke

Contact:

Annemieke Beurskens

04 54 05 31 13

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Knitting Group

Although we have been unable to get together for several months now, we have been quietly working away.



A Zoom meeting has been planned for Friday, 4th June and hopefully we will manage to have a small group meeting on Friday, 9th July which Sathi has very kindly offered to host.

Anyone interested in joining the knitting group, please contact Jennie Meadows at: jenniemeads@gmail.com or 06 21 85 58 55.

Looking forward to getting together again.

Regards

Jennie

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Jennie Meadows

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Baking Group



Dear Baking Friends,

Thank you for your enthusiastic participation in baking muffins with raisins and orange with Magali and Paul.

For those of you who would like to try your hands at this recipe, it has been posted on Facebook.

The next baking session will be announced via Facebook and on the website.

Cheers,

Sabrina

Contact:

Sabrina Vromen

sg.vromen@gmail.com

What's Cooking?



Dear Ladies,

Always delicious! always enthusiastic! Such are our online cooking sessions.

Thanks Otilia, thanks to all the participants, it would be impossible to continue without you.

Martha Tuninga will give us a delicious surprise on June 28th.

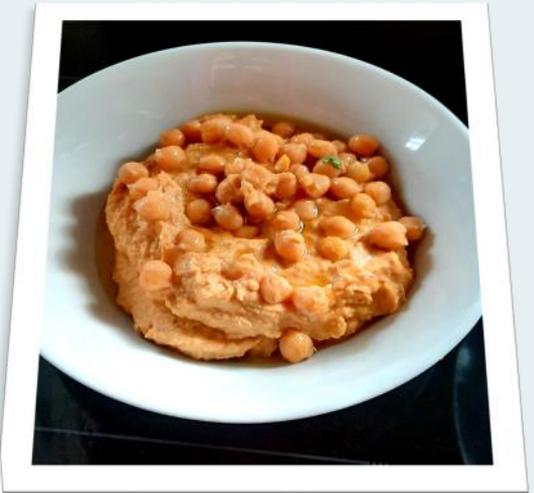
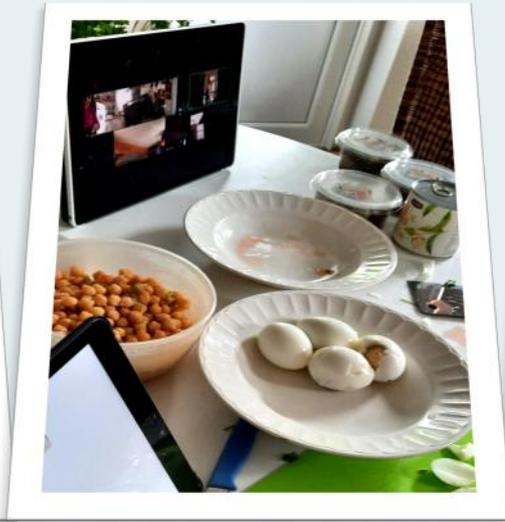
It will be a Monday full of flavour and friendship!

Looking forward to see you in our last cooking session of the season!

Thank you

Gabriela

Cooking Salada de Grão de Bico with Otilia



Baking Healthy Muffins with Magali



Dutchesses Online



Dutchesses Online,

In May we are meeting later in the month, so by the time I am writing this, we haven't had our meeting yet. But April was fun with our usual chat in Dutch and our little King's Day celebration in English.

If you would like to join the Dutchesses but you don't feel very confident about your Dutch, please note that in our little group mistakes are accepted and even celebrated because that is how we learn. Moreover, we don't switch immediately to English! :)

If you have suggestions for The Dutchesses, feel free to post them on Facebook, email us, or just let everyone know during our next meeting.

We are meeting again on June 30th at 10 am. Check the website calendar for the zoom link.

María Jesús Fernández Herrero

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Central and Eastern Europe Group



Dear Ladies,

Please keep an eye on the IWC Facebook page for CEE group activities.

Agnieszka

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Spanish Book Group



Dear Readers,

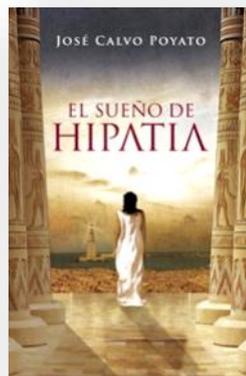
We loved the last book that took us back to the last century in Spain.

And now we are entering into a completely different  world.
Nuestro proximo desafio es el *El sueño de Hipatía* de *Jose Calvo Poyato*.

Date: 18th June 14hs.
Hopefully we meet without screen but with big  smiles.

Interested? Email me.

Regards,
Silvina



Contact:
Maria José
grupohispanodelectura@gmail.com

Photography Group



Dear Girls,

The Photo Group activity has been merged with Group D activity. See details under Group D for the walk on June 4.

Interested in coming? Do email me.

SILVINA

silvinalom@gmail.com

Contact:
Silvina Lombardo
silvinalom@gmail.com

Walking Group



Dear Members,

You are cordially invited to join our walk to the top of the hill D'n Observant, on Wednesday, June the 30th.

We will meet at 10.30 am at the parking of the Chalet D'n Observant at the ENCI in Maastricht, in front of the small lake.

D'n Observant is a very interesting place because it is a man-made hill from 1939 to 1967.

In what is now the recreational ENCI area, the ENCI, (the "First Dutch Cement Company") started in 1928 with the production of cement, digging the marl in this area.

There was a lot of unused dug-up earth left over, which was then piled up to form this hill. Trees and shrubs were planted on the hill to prevent the soil from being washed out and from sliding off. It is the highest hill in Maastricht, 171 meters.

In 1976 the hill was opened to the public and given a recreational purpose, and it received its current name: D'n Observant. From the top there is a panoramic view of the Maas river. There is also a stone construction of the symbol of the Maastricht coat of arms: the five-pointed star of Maastricht.

There on the top, we want to enjoy a picnic, so please bring your own drinks and snacks.

We are looking forward to enjoying this walk and picnic together. Of course, we will keep the health measures, we will make small groups and keep a safe distance while enjoying the walk.

To those who are unable to join: we wish you a very pleasant summer with a more relaxed atmosphere and hopefully more contact with family and friends.

Please send a mail to Yukiko if you would like to join, before Friday June the 25th.

Nina Nijs
Yukiko Takayanagui
yukiko2008@cs.com



Coordinators
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Nina Nijs

Photos from the Photography Group



Argentina ,Lujan on a winter morning

Photo: Cecilia



Photo: Susana



Photo: Silvina



Photo: Sybille



Photo: Irene

Body and Soul



Food for soul and body! Under this theme I would like to start a new activity combining my passion for cooking and reflecting on life and happiness!

I invite you to a short guided meditation with sharing some aspects of our life over a meal afterwards. What makes us happy, what do we love about ourselves and life, why do certain people make me feel angry and others not - there are a lot of aspects worth reflecting on...

Contribution for the food will be €7.50 per person!

If you are interested in joining please contact Anette at anettebolton@hotmail.de, indicating whether you would prefer a lunch or a dinner session.

Contact:
Anette Bolton
anettebolton@hotmail.de

Rose Book Group



Dear Readers,

We had a fantastic night at Ann's home discussing Pachinko—a book that everyone enjoyed despite the sadness.

Next time hope we can sit outdoors and discuss the colour of Water by James McBride.

Place: my home in Rekem. Address will be send once you confirm attendance 😊

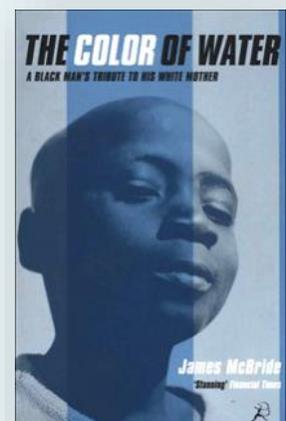
Date: **12th July at 20hs**

Happy reading,

Interested? Do please confirm your attendance to me via

Email silvinalom@gmail.com

Silvina



First Friday Drinks



Hello Ladies,

Details of the First Friday drinks will be communicated on Facebook and the IWC website should one take place.

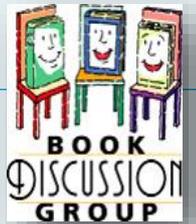
In the meantime, stay safe!

Cheers

Monique



Book Group



Our meetings have been cancelled because of the new regulations now in force. I will get back to you with alternative suggestions for sharing reading pleasure as soon as I can. In the meantime, stay safe.

Carol



Breakfast Group



Hello Ladies,

Should regulations permit, the next breakfast meeting will be communicated on Facebook and the IWC website.

Laila

Spanish Group— Grupo Hispano



Dear girls,
Hola,

Gracias a quienes participaron en nuestro bingo online, fue muy divertido.
Chicas propongo una caminata de una hora en estos hermosos paisajes de Limburg.
El día 1 de junio a las 1330hs.

Quizas encontrarnos en el parking de la kinderboerderij Pietersheim en Lanaken para descubrir otras rutas.?

Dirección: Neerharenweg12, Lanaken3620

Ahi se permitirá caminar y estar afuera con grupos de 10, así que creo que es ideal con distancia y tapabocas.

A animarse!

Saludos,

Silvina

Charlas Group (Chat Easy)

NEW



Hola chicas,
Hello dear girls,

Hello Girls,

We meet **via zoom** to have an easy simple chat in Spanish.
Come and join, vamos chicas ♡

10th June from 20hs.

Interested? Then please send an email to me,

Silvina

Contact:
Silvina Lombardo
silvinalom@gmail.com

Book and Wine Group



Dear Ladies,

Our latest read was The Adventures of China Iron by Gabriela Cabezón Cámara. It was a beautiful glimpse into Argentinian literature. We enjoyed learning about the landscape of the Pampas, gaucho culture, and the brutality of colonization and indigenous people of the region. Fantasy, gender fluidity, and feminism made for an interesting read. Thank you Silvina for guiding us through this discussion complete with gaucho ponchos and *mate*!

We are keeping this book club small in the hope that when restrictions ease we can have more meetings in person.

If you're interested in joining our group (and to be put on the waiting list), please email Billy or Elena at:

elenapardo9@gmail.com

sybille.steinert@yahoo.com



Pool Billiards Group



What is the idea: We will play pool whenever we feel like it. We play at Snooker Centrum Maastricht at the Tongerseweg 46. We split the costs €9.50/hour for a pool table, cues and balls. And don't worry nobody is really good at it...yet 😊

Everybody is welcome to join, simply let me know at annekevantilburg@yahoo.co.uk

Anneke

Wine Appreciation Group



It is the intention to meet every month as a Wine Appreciation Group (WAG), focusing on and learning about different wines. A theme is associated to every month, e.g. bubbles, red wines, roses, wines from different countries and so on.

This is how it works:

- Each participant brings along a bottle of the 'themed wine' along with their own glass and a snack to go with it.
- We then get to taste the different wines and snacks and have a fun evening together.

Details of the next meeting will be posted on Facebook.

Ciao

Monique

mmacaelen@gmail.com

Weekend Walks



Dear Ladies,

Every member of our group and their relatives are invited to join us in this walk.

Details of all walks will be shared once a date is fixed. Please let me know if you want to join and who is coming with you at annekevantilburg@yahoo.co.uk or if you are a member of our lovely weekend walks group leave me a message in the WhatsApp group.

If you want to join the group please let me know by sending me an email: annekevantilburg@yahoo.co.uk.

Soooo looking forward to meeting you all again!

Cheers

Anneke

Walking without Talking



Only for IWC Members

Walking without talking: We meet and greet first, but then it's silence all the way. It might be a challenge for some, but imagine using all your senses during walking. Feel the earth beneath your feet, smell the winter, hear the wind through the trees, see the flowers and if we are really quiet we might even encounter some wild animals! You will feel the wind, sun, snow or rain on your skin and might even get more in touch with you higher senses!

Consider this time together as quality time, a different way of socializing, because being together without talking gives a whole new dimension to your relationship. Our pace is slow and we walk for an hour/an hour and a half. Who dares? Having a drinks afterwards is optional.

For those of you who are interested in reading more on forest bathing, meditative walking or as the Japanese call it 'shinrin yoku', you can find lots of info on the internet.

Please send me an email at annekevantilburg@yahoo.co.uk if you want to be part of the group.

Cheers

Anneke

Dear Ladies,

Thumbs up that we will be able to visit expositions, exhibitions, museums, galleries - everything art-related from June 2021 onwards. It has been too long without and WITHOUT ART, LIFE IS NOTHING!

I am not planning any event yet, though. Too frustrating if we would need to cancel again. Please keep an eye on the Facebook group of the Culture Club for upcoming activities – not only for June but the summer period when there is no newsletter 😊. I will also send a message to the ones who are not using Facebook, but who had sent me their cellphone number for the WhatsApp group.

If you are keen to join either on Facebook or via WhatsApp, please let me know via 064 83 64 893. Looking forward to multiple activities very soon with you, ladies!

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Editor's Note

G'Day Ladies,

- ◆ Those of you organising activities online, please also copy Laila Olson on emails you send me to enable her to generate the necessary Zoom link for your respective activities so that these can be communicated in the monthly Newsletter on time.
- ◆ At a time when we are not able to meet and socialise the way we normally would, the Board has agreed that it would be a good idea to shine the spotlight on our very own IWC members. Calling all IWC members, established and recently joined, introverts and extroverts, to send me a short one-page autobiography with a photo of yourself. There is no better way for those of you who are established members of the club to introduce yourself to the newer members and new members to introduce yourself to the rest of the club. Please don't be shy! Please send in your articles to me at: editoraiwc@gmail.com.
- ◆ Please note: The deadline for submitting your input for the newsletter is the 20th of each month. As a courtesy, I do send out a reminder after that date—please do check your spam folder .

Until we meet again!

Cheers

Mary

Language Circles

German



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All ladies who want to speak and practice German - no matter what level you have, everyone is welcome.

There are no activities planned for June.

Wishing you all a great summer, take care and stay healthy bis zum Wiedersehen!

Spanish



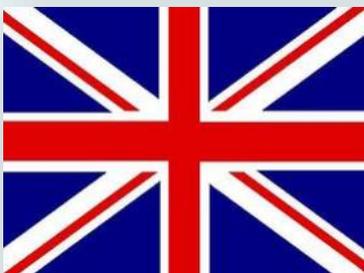
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Spanish natives + fluent Spanish speakers monthly, as convenient. At each other's homes.

Conversational English



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We meet in each other's homes once a month on a Thursday. New members are welcome to join.

Further details will be communicated per email.

People who no longer want to receive our mails, please let me know at Nicole.devries@planet.nl

Open Door



The idea of 'Open Door' was started in Stockholm in 1980 by Elisabeth Samman. Whilst travelling with her husband, a Rotarian, the hospitality extended to him by fellow Rotarians in foreign cities made such an impression on her that she thought this could help members of International Women's Associations to have a similar reciprocity in opening their doors to each other when visiting or moving to another country.

'Open Door' was established with nine Intl. Women's Associations each agreeing to nominate an International Co-ordinator (ICO) to welcome IWC members to their clubs as guests, at monthly meetings and other club activities as well as exchanging newsletters and correspondence. 'Open Door' aspires to facilitate and promote interclub contact and communication between International Women's Associations which are non-political, non-religious and non-commercial and where membership is open to all nationalities. The 'Open Door' network is administered by means of a Directory of member associations with club and contact details of Presidents and International Coordinators.

The founder Chair Elisabeth Samman was succeeded by Ismelda Pellet from the Netherlands and after Ismelda Pellet passed away three years ago, Marja van Loopik from the Netherlands took over as Chair.

In this way much is being done to help each other through contact with women of different nations, by promoting mutual understanding, furthering cultural exchanges and cultivating friendships which altogether lead to a richer and broader understanding of each other. Today we are over 60 clubs around the world, and we are keeping in touch with most of them.

Warm Greetings,

Irene

Irene Suilen à Campo
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Club Information

Membership fee for the year September to August is €45.

New Members - For the first year of membership in the IWC, you should pay the following amount, depending on the month you join:

Sep-Dec: €45 EUR (+ €7 EUR one-time administration fee = **€52 EUR**)

Jan-April: **€30 EUR** (+ €7 EUR one-time administration fee = **€37 EUR**)

May-Aug: **€15 EUR** (+ €7 EUR one-time administration fee = **€22 EUR**)

After the first year, the Club fees are €45 per year (September through August) – payable no later than 1st October. Club fees can be paid only via ABN AMRO Bank N.V. Int. Women's Club Limburg:

Account Number IBAN Number: NL32ABNA0490106064; BIC: ABNANL2A.

Be sure to indicate your name, especially if the bank account is in the name of someone else (e.g. your partner).

IWC Bylaws

The IWC bylaws are posted on the IWC website (under Yearbook) and on our Facebook page. A paper copy is available upon request.

IWC Network Policy

Club—wide emails to the membership are intended for club affairs ONLY and NOT for the promotion of non-IWC endeavours, personal and professional. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

The use of the IWC website and Facebook page by members will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis as deemed necessary by the Board and Webmaster.

Club Information

Rates for Advertisements:

¼ page € 12.50

½ page € 25.00

Full page € 50.00

- Special rates for recurring ads on request.

TO BE SETTLED WITH THE TREASURER BEFORE SUBMISSION!

(Please refer to Club Information for payment advice)

Mini ads for members, **maximum 30 words** per issue are free.

Editorial

The Newsletter is published **9 times a year**, on the **1st of the month**, from September through June.

The deadline for all contributions is the third Wednesday of the month (the same date as the Monthly Gathering).

Reminders are sent out to regular contributors.

The Editor reserves the right to cut or edit material sent to the newsletter for publication and cannot guarantee inclusion.

Views and opinions expressed in individual articles in the Newsletter do not necessarily represent the views of the IWC.

If you have any comments or suggestions please do email the Editor: editoraiwc@gmail.com



We are delighted to announce the launch of

THE BRAND NEW IWC WEBSITE

Here you can find details of upcoming IWC activities and events as well as the latest newsletter.

SO LOG IN AT....

www.iwc-sl.nl

You can access the members section of the website by using your login name and password to sign in. If you have problems with either your login name or password, please contact our Webmaster Laila Olson on webmaster@iwc-sl.nl